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AMENDMENT

In the Specification:

On page 45 please delete the first full paragraph, i.e., lines 3-12, and replace with the following paragraph:

The efficacy of acoustic mixing was also tested in an actual hybridization protocol. For this hybridization test, a fluorescently labeled oligonucleotide target sequence having the sequence 5'-GAGATGCGTCGGTGGCTG-3' (SEQ. ID 1) and an array having a checkerboard pattern of 400 μ m squares having complements to this sequence synthesized thereon, were used. Hybridization of a 10 nM solution of the target in 6 x SSPE was carried out. During hybridization, the external surface of the array was kept in contact with a thermoelectric cooler set at 15 °C. Hybridization was

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